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MEET THE HUMMI

McKENZIE could eat a horse . . . Really!

By MICHAEL CHIRON
Weekly World News

BOSTON — Doctors have dubbed McKenzie Noulen the "Human Hummingbird" because she can't sleep and must eat her body weight every day just to stay alive!

McKenzie's metabolism is so supercharged that she needs to consume 82 pounds of food daily — yet she burns off the calories so fast, she never gains weight.

"Miss Noulen has to eat constantly to keep her body functioning," says her physician, Dr. Brian Doumany. "If she stops eating for even one minute, she'll pass out and soon die.

"She can't sleep, but merely catnaps while she continues to eat. It's a hellish way to live, and we are powerless to help her."

McKenzie's metabolism was always higher than normal — as a teen, friends would envy the way she could eat like a horse and still look skinny. But in college, it became clear that she had a serious medical problem.

"I found that I always needed a stack of candy bars on hand to get me through a lecture," recalls McKenzie, now 24.

As the condition

More men than ever are getting PMS — through menopause!

VIENNA, Austria — PMS, menopause, breast cancer — these are just a few of the ailments normally associated with women that are now plaguing men in growing numbers.

"The trend coincides with men and women trading roles in society. It's connected to the gradual emasculation of the male to the point where there's little difference between the sexes anymore

Dr. Franz Kliemer.

Just a few years ago, said Dr. Edward Lewis of Harvard University, "the idea of male menopause would have been laughed out of town. But things have changed."

Here are a few of the ailments formerly considered

● ANOREXIA — One man in 10 now suffers from this psychological disorder, characterized by self-imposed starvation. Said Dr. Kliemer: "The rise in anorexia in men is directly traceable to the alarming trend among modern American men to think

eat — is true. And truer still is this axiom: You are what you think."

● BREAST CANCER — Thousands of men are now being diagnosed each year with breast cancer in the U.S., compared to just hundreds as recently as the

grown so common among middle-aged men it's been given a name, "manopause," and is characterized by the same hot flashes, fatigue, memory lapses and mood swings suffered by women going through "the change of life."

● OSTEOPOROSIS — It's a disease that causes bones to become fragile and break easily. Studies show that some

HUMAN NGBIRD

Gal never sleeps & if she stops eating for a minute, she'll die!

DOCTOR Brian Doumany

worsened, the young woman sought medical attention — and doctors were stunned to find that her metabolic rate was the highest ever recorded.

"Her resting heart rate is 482 beats per minute — more than six times faster than the norm," said Dr. Doumany, an endocrinologist. "Just sitting still, she burns off tens of thousands of calories a minute — her body uses up energy that fast."

A typical day's feasting for McKenzie includes: 36 eggs, 14 pieces of toast, six pounds of mashed potatoes, nine steaks, 11 milk shakes, four slabs of barbecued ribs, two roast chickens, three pizzas, two apple pies, eight gallons of ice cream, 60 Milky Way bars and 110 Hershey Kisses. Yet the 4-foot-8 woman remains a svelte 82 pounds.

"People see me wolfing down food and they think I'm a pig, but I can't help it," says McKenzie, mumbling her words through a mouthful of chicken.

Experts believe that a rare glandular condition is responsible for McKenzie's high metabolism, but so far, scores of specialists haven't figured out how to fix the problem.

Like McKenzie, hummingbirds' hearts beat superfast — an incredible 1,260 beats a minute. Also like her, they're always starving.

"Some people think it must be wonderful to eat all the time and never gain weight," says McKenzie. "They're wrong."

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24 million female counterparts.

● **PMS — Premenstrual syndrome. New research has established that up to 25 percent of younger men go through monthly hormonal rhythms just like women on their period and suffer similar monthly symptoms, including abdominal pain and breast tenderness, moodiness, headaches,**

JESUS VIRUS!

Computer 'bug' wipes out Internet pornography & replaces it with scripture!

JESUS, shown here in classic painting, and the Lord work in mysterious ways, says the Bible, and the Jesus Virus certainly qualifies!

MIAMI, Fla. — Fed up with the proliferation of filthy porno Web sites? A militant Christian computer hacker is fighting back with a unique computer virus that replaces pornographic material with holy Scripture!

The special program, known as the Jesus Virus, slips silently into the hard drives of pornographic Web sites via e-mail and immediately eliminates all sexually explicit text and photos. Once the damage is done, it cannot be reversed.

"Hard-core Internet pornography is destroying this nation," states the angry hacker, who goes by the pseudonym Holy Roller. "It has to be stopped, and the best way to do that is to hit the porn mongers where they live — at their Web sites. By my estimate, I've put almost 100 pornographic Web sites out of business, and that's just the beginning. I won't rest until Internet porn is completely eliminated."

The Jesus Virus substitutes dirty words and pictures with biblical text. One of Holy Roller's favorite passages is the Ten Commandments, which he sees as a guide for clean living.

"The Ten Commandments address the issue of Internet porn very clearly," Holy Roller explains. "For example, they say 'Thou shalt have no other gods before me.' That's important, because to me, many porn mongers hold their degrading pictures above all else. Also pertinent is the Commandment which states, 'Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife,' which is exactly what men do when they look at sexually explicit photos.

HOT STUFF! The new Jesus Virus is "burning up" the Internet — literally!

with them need to learn that the word of God — not pornography — is the road to salvation."

Not everyone agrees that Holy Roller is doing the Lord's work. Some Internet porn providers who have felt his wrath are offering a cash

"This guy is entitled to his beliefs, but he has no right to destroy my Web site," says one California-based porn provider, who admits to making nearly $100,000 a year off his X-rated site. "I'm just a businessman offering the public what it wants. If Holy

Doc goes under the covers to shed light on the secrets of slumber

What the way you sleep says about your love life!

By DENNIS D'ANTONIO/*Weekly World News*

DENVER — The way you and your partner sleep together reveals a lot about your love life, says a top expert.

"The positions couples adopt during their slumber speak volumes about their level of intimacy and the style and quality of their lovemaking," says psychologist Dr. Karl Bosuns. He bases his conclusions on an ongoing study he's conducted through the years centering on the personalities, sex lives — and sleeping positions of over 700 couples.

PSYCHOLOGIST Dr. Karl Bosuns

To find out how you rate, look at the five photos and pick the one that most closely depicts the way you and your mate sleep, then read Dr. Bosuns' comments.

TOO HOT TO HANDLE — Couples who sleep back to back without touching each other, strangely enough, tend to be the wildest and most passionate in their lovemaking. "They exert so much energy and produce so much heat they don't normally cuddle," says Dr. Bosuns, a family and marriage counselor for 30 years.

BOTTOMS UP — In this position, the man normally sleeps face down with his arms spread — "as if he's embracing the whole world. The woman adopts a tuck position, preserving the warmth she feels in the center of her body.

"They fall asleep feeling like they've got the world by the tail," says Dr. Bosuns.

SPOONS — "Lovers who sleep in this position, I've found, are the kind of people who are extremely tactile — they love to touch so much that they fall asleep in maximum body contact."

HER LEG OVER HIS — This could have two meanings, according to Dr. Bosuns: "Either she's unfulfilled and left wanting more, or she's totally satisfied and is simply trying to prolong the afterglow."

HIS LEG OVER HERS — "Men aren't generally left unsatisfied in their lovemaking, so there's little question what this position means for the man — he's feeling very affectionate and adopts a posture that preserves his afterglow," says Dr. Bosuns.

Toy gun robber makes getaway on lawn mower

DUBLIN, Ireland — A retiree robbed a bank, then took police on a three-mile low-speed chase as he tried to make his getaway on a riding lawn mower!

Colin Jones, 83, used a toy gun in the heist. Afraid to drive a car because of cataracts, Jones fled the scene on the mower — and refused to pull over until he ran out of gas.

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PAGE 5 GIRL!

Magnificent Melody Marchand sings, dances and plays the piano, but the lovely lady isn't in show business — she's an administrative assistant! The 5-foot-7, 122-pound beauty loves seafood, the smell of vanilla and a most unusual color — periwinkle. She hails from San Ramon, Calif., and too bad guys,

HEY GUYS, ARE YOU WHIPPED?

YES, DEAR! On TV's *Everybody Loves Raymond*, actress Patricia Heaton seems to have the upper hand over co-star Ray Romano.

LOS ANGELES — Hey guys, does your sweetie have you wrapped around her little finger? You may be "whipped" and not even realize it!

According to psychologists who study relationships, millions of today's assertive young women use their feminine wiles to exert total control over their men — yet they often exercise power in such a subtle manner that the guys have no idea who's really in charge.

Here, say the experts, is how to tell if you're whipped:

1. You change the way you dress to suit your lady and wind up looking like Barbie's consort, the Ken doll!
2. You change your hairstyle because she tells you to.
3. You ditch friends she declares to be "too loud" or a "bad influence."
4. She demands all of your time, decrying you the leisure hours you need to watch sports or hang out with chums.
5. She decides when, where, how — and how often — you'll make love.
6. The last three movies you saw were "chick flicks."
7. You eat what she tells you to eat, usually "rabbit food."
8. You stop ogling pretty girls.
9. Your woman — not you — "owns" the TV remote.

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Stunned doctors perform emergency C-section!

By MIKE FOSTER / *Weekly World News*

GIRL GIVES BIRTH TO 32-LB. BABY

ORLEANS, France — A teenage mom set a new world record when she gave birth to the heaviest baby ever — a supertot weighing a scale-crunching 32 pounds!

Collette Bujon, 17, gave birth to the huge baby boy named Jean-Baptiste on April 15 — Easter Sunday.

"Jean-Baptiste was born at a normal weight for a 3-year-old child," says Dr. Claude Hersant, the obstetrician who delivered the giant infant by cesarean section in what hospital spokesmen termed "an emergency procedure."

Both the mother and child are doing fine, according to the hospital.

Miss Bujon, who plans to wed the baby's father Michel Courcol this summer, admits that carrying the toddler-sized fetus to term was an ordeal.

"The doctors put me on bed rest after the first trimester and warned me that it was a high-risk pregnancy. They said I should be mentally prepared for the possibility of a miscarriage," she said as she cuddled her bouncing baby boy.

"But God has given me a big, strong, healthy son — I call him my Easter miracle. He guzzles formula by the quart — about a gallon a day. He rattles the windows when he burps."

Doctors were concerned about Miss Bujon's pregnancy from the start because she suffers from diabetes and must take insulin shots daily.

"Women with diabetes are always considered high risk," Dr. Hersant explained. "Insulin is like a growth hormone for fetuses. It can make them grow too fast in the womb and they can become too large for the uterus to support."

While babies delivered by diabetic women tend to be larger than normal, Jean-Baptiste is the biggest on record, Dr. Hersant confirmed.

"Normally, I can easily hold a newborn child in the palm of one hand — when I delivered Jean-Baptiste I was stunned by how hard it was to lift him," said the physician. "The ultrasound didn't really prepare us for how big he turned out."

But Miss Bujon, a student, says she had plenty of warning that her son would be a real handful.

"When I was six months along, my belly was so big I just couldn't walk at all," she recalls. "People who saw me thought I was having twins or triplets.

"He won't fit in ordinary baby clothes. We put him in pajamas meant for a 3-year-old."

Doctors say that Jean-Baptiste's accelerated growth should stop now and he'll probably be in the normal size range as an adult.

British hero didn't get his goats

LONDON — Heroic Gordon Smith rushed to the rescue when he saw a gang of thugs roughing up a young woman, and chased off the attackers.

But he turned down the reward offered by her grateful parents back home in Kenya. Smith apparently figured that busy London was no place to care for a herd of goats.

'Smarter' toys don't guarantee smarter kids!

BOSTON — You're throwing your money away when you buy your kids expensive high-tech "educational" toys like computer chess, science-based video games or see-through replicas of the human body. Children will improve their minds just as much by playing with good old standards like modeling clay, teddy bears and hobby horses!

"Barbie and G.I. Joe have as much of a chance of stimulating creativity and being educational as the so-called educational toys," says child-development Professor [illegible]

authorities say well-meaning parents often spend their toy-buying dollars unwisely, believing some toys are intrinsically more educational than others.

Dottie Podgorney, who directs the pre-primary program at Lowell School told *The Washington Post* that when kids are at play, they

vocabulary. And the general consensus is that this learning takes place no matter what toy the child is playing with.

Some authorities even argue that highly structured toys actually limit creativity in our kids. Diane Levin, education professor at Wheelock College in Boston says, "So many toys that claim to be educational aren't anything of the sort."

Levin and others recommend "open-ended" toys — that is, toys like blocks, dolls and train sets that provide children

WHY GET FANCY?

HE'S A HANDFUL! Collette Bujon is radiant as she holds Jean-Baptiste — who tilted the scales at a world record

THIS JUST IN

Boy, 12, kills parents for naming him 'Candy'

MELBOURNE, Australia — Blinded by hate, a 12-year-old boy killed his parents with a shotgun — because they named him "Candy."

Candy Hoglin was arrested and charged with homicide in the deaths of John and Terry Hoglin after a four-hour stand-off with police.

Authorities say that the boy was teased mercilessly at school because of his name, which bullies considered "sissy-ish." The suspect also told cops that teachers frequently mangled his name, calling him "Sandy."

Foot-powered 'Flintstones car' unearthed in Zaire

NIANGARA, Zaire — Amazed archaeologists have uncovered the remains of a real-life Fred Flintstone — complete with foot-powered automobile!

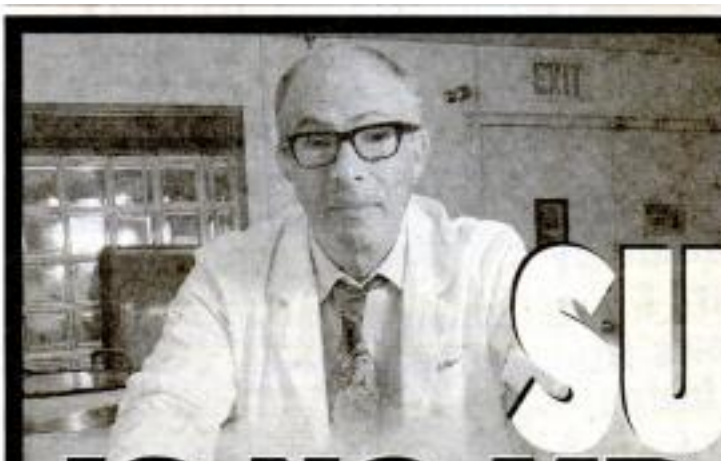
Researchers with the Royal Museum in London were working on a promising new dig when they found what appeared to be a very primitive car made of logs and round stones. Next to the prehistoric vehicle were the remains of two men and two women.

Based on the high number of broken bones, the researchers speculate that the people were killed when the "car" crashed into a tree.

Scientists create world's first mouse-cat hybrid

GENEVA, Switzerland — DNA scientists have for the first time successfully spliced feline genes into a mouse embryo — creating the first mouse-cat hybrid!

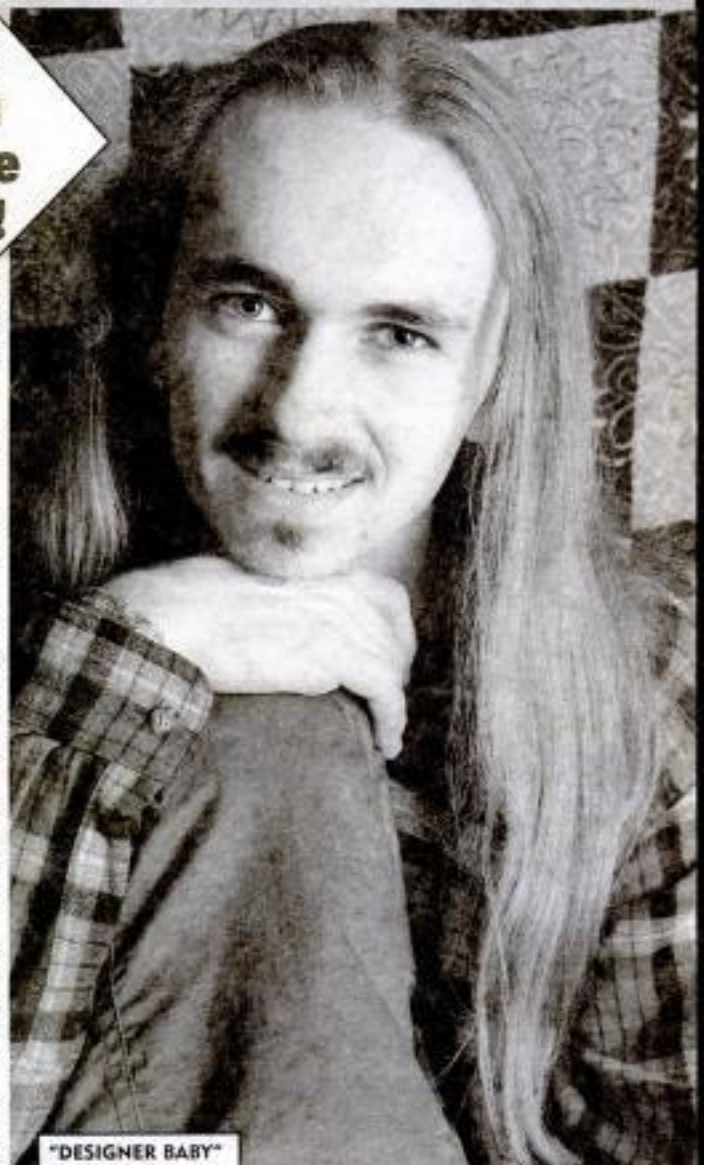
The genetically enhanced rodent, dubbed "Mickey Meows" by the researchers, is 15 times larger than an ordinary mouse, cleans itself by licking its fur and buries its feces in kitty litter. It also dines on cat food and loves to chase ordinary mice — even playing



GENETIC SUPERMAN IS NO MR. PERFECT!

FAMED Dr. Coppy Rothman artificially inseminated Dr. Afton Blake with semen from a "genius sperm bank" in 1982. Doron is the result.

Doron Blake was supposed to be a world-class athlete — but he's a geek!



"DESIGNER BABY"

PORTLAND, Oreg. — Scientists' bid to create a genetic "superman" in a lab has backfired big-time! Instead of growing up to be a handsome champion athlete and genius scientist, the "designer baby" has turned out to be a skinny, geeky-looking guy who hates competitive sports, finds science boring and struggles with a stammer.

By MICHAEL FORSYTH
Weekly World News

Doron Blake, now an 18-year-old student at Reed College, feels the eccentric millionaire who founded the so-called "genius sperm bank" where he was conceived in hopes of creating the perfect man might be somewhat disappointed at the results.

"He'd feel I was unfulfilled potential," Doron told *Weekly World News*.

California millionaire Dr. Robert Graham created a firestorm of controversy back in 1980 when he founded the Repository for Germinal Choice, vowing to "improve" the human race. His idea was to collect sperm from the world's most intelligent men, including Nobel Prize winners and others of good genetic stock and to use artificial insemination to impregnate female volunteers — spawning a new breed of superbabies.

Critics were horrified by the scheme, charging that it was reminiscent of the eugenics program started by Nazi madman Adolf Hitler, who dreamed of breeding a master race of physically and mentally superior supermen who would rule over "inferior" humans.

scientist who would find a cure for cancer and "help everybody." But now that seems unlikely.

Although Doron's genes have indeed endowed him with a sky-high I.Q. of 180 and a knack for mathematics, the mild-mannered youth doesn't really enjoy math or science.

"It's not what I like to study," said Doron, whose anonymous sperm donor was known simply as batch 28. And while he stands 6 feet tall, gawky Doron is no jock either.

"I don't like the must-win ethics of team sports," said Doron, who has a wispy goatee.

The college student says he gets good grades, but not straight-As by any means.

"Dr. Graham was trying to breed geniuses and I have 'genius genes,' but I don't think I'm what you'd call a genius," he admitted.

Doron feels he didn't come out as expected because environment also plays a big role. The young man, who prefers music and enjoys playing the guitar, says his mother Dr. Afton Blake never pressured him to be a genius. Some of the 230 other "supermen" conceived through the lab didn't have it so easy.

"Some of the mothers were very

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WILL THE REAL STAND UP?

EDITOR'S NOTE: Cleopatra, the Queen of the Nile, is renowned as the most beautiful and mysterious woman who ever lived. And her legend lives on today in the unlikeliest of hosts — a New Jersey baby and an Iowa woman who BOTH are believed by some to be the alluring Queen of Egypt.

RED BANK, N.J. — Cleopatra, the fabled Queen of Egypt and lover of Antony and Caesar, is alive and living in a double-wide trailer in a mobile home park.

A team of some of the most brilliant geneticists and biologists in the Middle East used DNA extracted from blood, hair and dandruff to clone a human egg and transplant it inside the womb of a volunteer mom to create an exact duplicate of the tragic beauty.

The experiments and historic breakthrough were disclosed in *Eternal Life*, a Paris-based journal circulated among rogue geneticists and other world scientific community iconoclasts.

"With the success of this undertaking, humanity has opened the door to a brave new world destined to be ruled by the best and the brightest of past ages," Dr. Nakia Bakir, a geneticist and scientific director of the astounding project, was quoted as saying.

The project was reportedly funded by a shadowy group of Egyptian royalists dedicated to restoring the pharaohs to their former rule.

And the chance discovery of an ancient carpet that the strong-willed female pharaoh was wrapped in, then smuggled through enemy lines to be delivered to Caesar, made the restoration project possible.

"The young queen was apparently bruised and scraped, and lost some hair and blood in the process," Dr. Bakir explained.

"So when the ancient carpeting was discovered and identified in an antiquities shop in Alexandria's Casbah — we were able to extract a sufficient amount of the queen's tissue to carry out our scientific endeavor."

According to the brilliant geneticist, the team worked in a secret laboratory in Alexandria for months before they successfully created four test tube embryos containing the lost queen's DNA.

Only one of the women who volunteered as hosts for the developing fetus managed to carry the baby to term.

Dr. Bakir described the host mother as a devout young woman who is devoted to the religion of ancient Egypt, and was convinced that her sacrifice would lead to restoration of the old gods and glory.

She was studying in the United States when she was impregnated, and dropped out of college to marry a handsome master plumber from New Jersey who was considerably older.

The scientist released a single photograph of mother and daughter (shown at left) to Egyptian newspapers. But the expert steadfastly has refused to divulge their names.

Dr. Bakir said she and her colleagues believe the gods selected the woman to become Cleopatra's mother, because the child would be safer in the United States.

The scientist said the dark-eyed girl, now nearly a year old, will be prepared "for her rightful role as goddess queen — pharaoh of Egypt. Plans are already underway to quietly spirit her to the Middle East, where she will be prepared

GENETICIST
Dr. Nakia Bakir

New Jersey housewife says: MY BABY IS THE QUEEN OF EGYPT

THIS unidentified baby was cloned using DNA extracted from an ancient carpet that Cleopatra used to smuggle

CLEOPATRA PLEASE

By MERLIN LEWIS/*Weekly World News*

Iowa farm wife brags, 'I'M THE REAL QUEEN OF THE NILE!'

PROUD QUEEN? Janet Taripo believes she is!

DES MOINES, Iowa — The glamorous Egyptian god-queen Cleopatra has been reincarnated as the wife of a Boone county hog farmer and the shocking discovery of the grandmother's past life has devastated her family.

"This horrible experience has turned mama into a monster, and she thinks she's too good to do farm work or associate with the rest of the family," her heartbroken daughter Celia Mishler revealed.

"Ever since she learned about her past life all she wants to do is put on that silly robe and sit around with her arms crossed, or sniff frankincense and bang on some stupid brass gong."

Mrs. Mishler told a reporter for *Past Lives Journal*, a newsletter for hypnotists and psychologists who practice hypnotic regression to cure mental and physical ailments, that the trouble started when her mother, Janet Taripo, 62, sought help for emotional problems.

"She began flying into violent rages if we didn't immediately cater to her every whim — and we finally took her to a hypnotist who found out what was behind her uncharacteristic behavior," the daughter said.

"The hypnotherapist led her through several past lives before he realized she was

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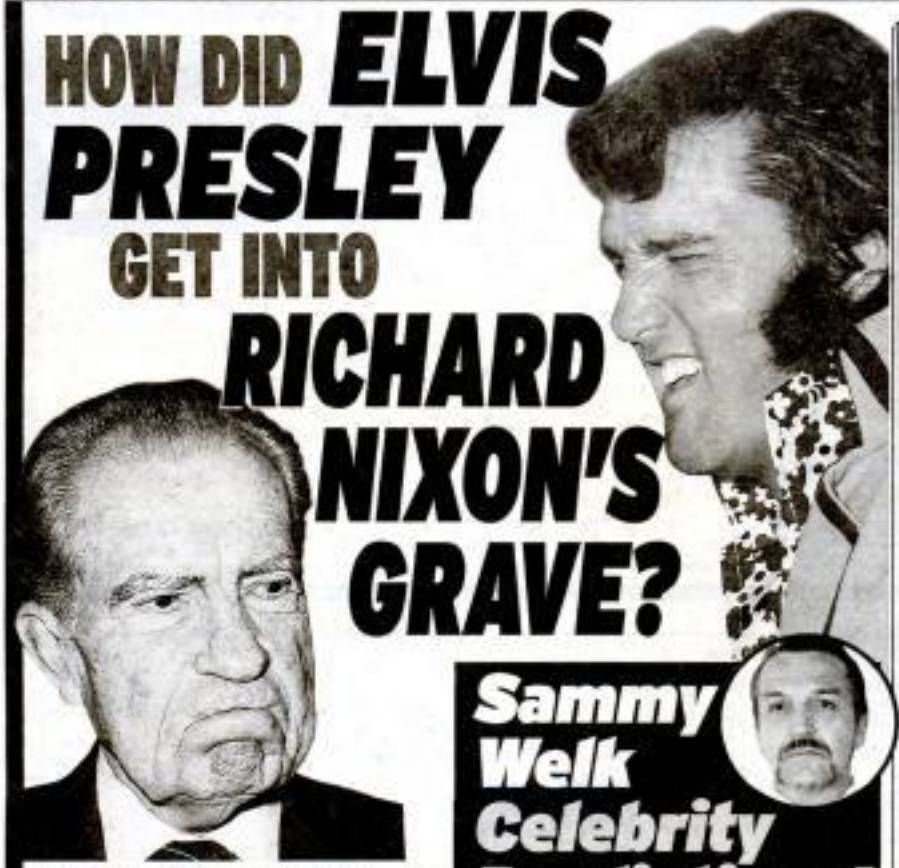

Authorities attempt to exhume the body of former President RICHARD NIXON for a court-ordered examination of the remains — and find ELVIS PRESLEY'S body buried in his grave! The heart-stopping discovery touches off a major federal investigation, but months later, officials say they still have no idea how The King of Rock 'n' Roll wound up interred in Nixon's casket in Yorba Linda, Calif.

★ ★ ★

Two Swiss scientists announce that they have successfully cloned *I Love Lucy* star LUCILLE BALL, the world's favorite comedienne who died in 1989. The geneticists reveal that the new Lucy is 18 months old, is being raised by foster parents in

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using strands of hair collected by a fan before the star's death, the scientists say.

★ ★ ★

Still tough as nails at 76, actor PAUL NEWMAN becomes so incensed when he spots two burglars running away from a neighbor's home, he chases the thieves down on his motor scooter. Cops find the *Cool Hand Luke* star holding the dazed thugs pinned to the ground, one in each hand!

★ ★ ★

The Mary Tyler Moore Show returns to television — and the blockbuster sitcom proves an even bigger hit than it did in the 1970s. The show, still set in a Minneapolis TV station, features many of the old regulars, including MTM herself, ED ASNER, VALERIE HARPER and BETTY WHITE, with only TED KNIGHT — who died in 1986 — missing. But the series is abruptly pulled from the air after Mary chokes to

HOLLYWOOD ANSWER GIRL!

Ask Christie

Q I know BORIS BECKER got a lot of mud tossed on him after he had a "one-night stand" with a Russian model in a restaurant broom closet and she ended up pregnant and all that. But I still feel sorry for him, because he always seemed like a pretty nice guy before all that. Tell me, what's he up to now?

— Alan L. Jackson, Miss.

A Not much. The former tennis ace, who claims his encounter with model ANGELA ERMAKOVA lasted a mere five seconds, was divorced from his wife Barbara shortly after his fling became public. Becker and two other divorced men now live in the home he once shared with his wife and two sons. There, he says, the three morose guys spend long nights drinking wine, smoking cigarillos and talking about women. "In our conversations, it's always the women whose fault it is," admits the former Wimbledon champ.

★ ★ ★

Q I heard on the radio that sexy BILLY BOB THORNTON is making a country music album. Is he pulling our leg or what?

— Dana C., Huntsville, Ala.

A It's no joke. The Oscar-winning actor, who originally headed to California to pursue a career in rock 'n' roll, has just finished an album of self-penned country tunes — with wife ANGELINA JOLIE joining him on some of the cuts. And the *Sling Blade* star says he may yet make music his primary career. "I'm not doing this as a hobby," Thornton says. "I wrote the songs right out of my gut."

★ ★ ★

Q *The Godfather* will always be my favorite movie and it's hard to forget how incredible MARLON BRANDO was. But I haven't seen his name popping up too much lately — has he officially retired?

— Leeanne K., Mount Vernon, N.Y.

A Not even close. At 77, Brando is still spreading his wings — as well as his girth, of course. Word from Italy is that this acting legend will make a giant departure from Godfather Don Corleone and sign on to play Pope John XXIII, the one worshipers call the "Good Pope."

Send your questions to: Ask Christie, Hollywood Answer Girl, c/o Weekly World News, 5401 NW Broken Sound Blvd., Boca Raton, Fla. 33487

New movie's blood 'n' guts battle scenes bring back . . .

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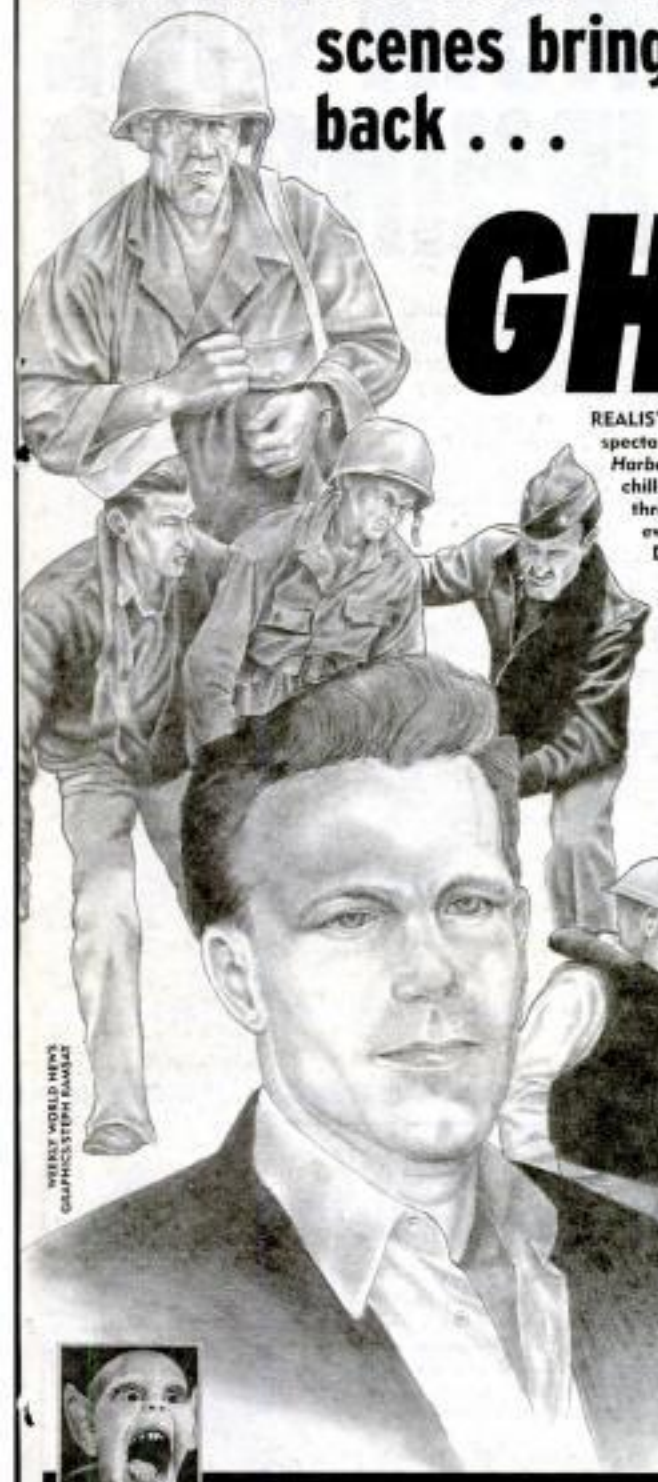

REALISTIC battle scenes in the spectacular new movie *Pearl Harbor* will give viewers chills — even if they lived through the horrifying events in Hawaii on that Day of Infamy nearly 60 years ago.

WEEKLY WORLD NEWS GRAPHICS/STEPH RAMSAY

The soon-to-be-blockbuster flick *Pearl Harbor*, starring BEN AFFLECK, contains blood-and-guts battle scenes that make the ultra-gory *Saving Private Ryan* look like *Gidget Goes Hawaiian*. And anything less would have been a slap in the face of the 2,341 U.S. sailors, Marines and soldiers killed in the sneak attack — not to mention those who lived through what was truly the most horrifying day in American history.

"Before I saw the movie, I was absolutely sure they were going to namby-pamby the thing to death," said one survivor of the Dec. 7, 1941, blitz. "But some of the scenes were so real I almost had to close my eyes, because I started reliving the thing all over again.

"We were sitting ducks out there, and I saw my buddies blown to bits — just totally disemboweled, some of them. And somehow, they managed to make the movie every bit as chilling."

Hey, we're not stupid here. We know the folks who made *Pearl Harbor* created those stunning battle scenes with an eye on the bottom line, not on honoring those who died for this country.

Bat Boy

LOOK WHO LOVES BAT BOY! In photo, right, America's favorite intern **MONICA LEWINSKY** poses with **DEVON MAY**, star of *Bat Boy: The Musical* during a celebrity-studded post-premiere party for the spectacular new play at New York City's famed Union Square Theatre. Director-comedian **WOODY ALLEN** and his wife **SOON-YI** also were

BRUCE RHEE IS THE Gossip Ninja

Super-sneaky Bruce gets the Hollywood gossip that ordinary columnists can only dream about — and he's only in *Weekly World News*.

BRAVE WISCONSIN GIRL IS TURNING TO

TRAGIC Meadow is stiff as can be, but she doesn't complain.

By VICKIE YORK
Weekly World News

MADISON, Wis. — Tragic 4-year-old Meadow Tulmen suffers from a rare, incurable disease that is slowly turning her into a living statue!

Day by day, the adorable youngster's muscles, tendons and ligaments are turning into bone, making movement harder

'It's terrifying to see your child changing into stone in front of your very eyes,' says mom

TAKING ONE DAY at a time: Meadow and her mom, Ellen.

Sticky-fingered monkey is notorious jewel thief!

KOBE, Japan — Police investigators have finally nabbed one of the region's most notorious jewel thieves — an 8-year-old capuchin monkey named Seswa!

According to detectives, Seswa was responsible for more than 300 jewel heists over a five-year period. The value of the property swiped by the suave simian is believed to total nearly $1.2 million.

Seswa was lured into a life of crime by his owner, Hideaki Yoshiro, 37, police say. Yoshiro apparently taught his pet to climb up the side of high-rise apartment buildings in wealthy neighborhoods, enter through an open window, and steal jewelry and other small valuables.

"That monkey had a good eye," said Detective Ken Homma. "He only took the good stuff, leaving cheap costume jewelry behind."

STONE!

and harder. Already, she can't bend her elbows or knees — and while other little girls her age are skipping and jumping rope, sad-eyed Meadow can only stand aside and watch.

"It's terrifying to see your child changing into stone in front of your very eyes and to be utterly unable to help her," said her distraught mother Ellen, 33. "The doctors have told me that within a few years, Meadow will be completely frozen in one position. We'll have to choose whether she'll be sitting, standing or lying down — for the rest of her life."

Meadow's heartbreaking condition is known as Stoneman Disease, or Fibrodysplasia Ossificans Progressiva, and affects only about 100 people in the United States.

Stoneman Disease is considered one of the most frightening illnesses in the world because it strikes like the dreaded Medusa of ancient Greek legends — the mythical, snake-haired woman so ugly that anyone who saw her was turned into stone.

"Meadow was born with hammerhead-like toes, which is one of the earliest signs of this congenital disorder," said her physician. "She soon developed lumps on her elbows that turned into solid bone. Last fall, the same thing began to happen to her knees."

Mom Ellen and her husband live in dread that before a cure is found, their loving little girl will be transformed into a mute human statue, unable to talk, play or show affection.

But brave little Meadow refuses to let her steadily growing physical paralysis confine her spirit. She lives every day to the fullest, enjoying trips to the zoo, giggling with her friends at the playground and watching cartoons on TV.

She says that if she must freeze entirely one day, she would like to be left holding her hands in prayer like the stone angel that graces the family's little flower garden.

"I'm not afraid of being like that angel forever," she said.

"That would make me happy forever — and mommy would be happy, too."

Satan is a MIDGET!

LONDON — Don't cower in fear when you think of Satan — because the Prince of Darkness is a pip-squeak who stands only 5-foot-2, a Bible scholar says!

Drawing upon descriptions of Lucifer found in the Good Book and in the Dead Sea Scrolls and converting biblical "cubits" into inches, the Reverend Jeremy Hathaway-White calculated the Evil One's exact height.

Surprisingly, he found that the Devil is short, even by ancient standards — standing nearly half a foot shorter than Jesus, who is believed to have stood 5 foot 8.

"Perhaps this explains Satan's insatiable drive for power — he has the classic 'short man's complex,' much like Napoleon," suggested the London minister.

"Perhaps if Satan had been bigger, our world would be very different."

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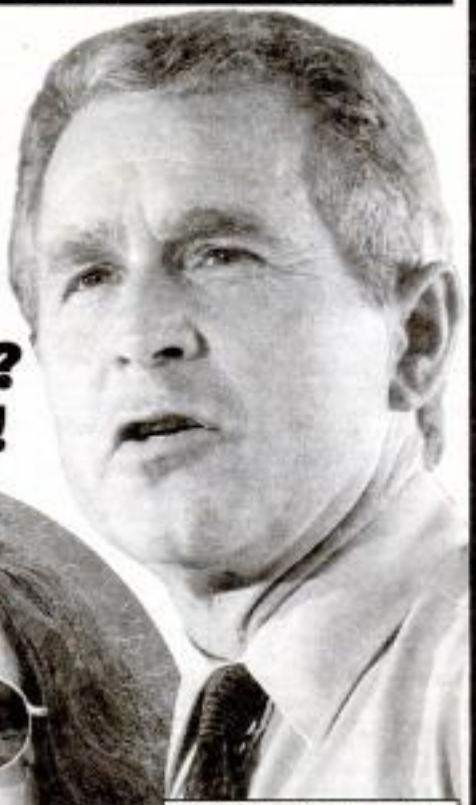
The astonishing links between

George W. Bush & Howard Stern

By VICKIE YORK/*Weekly World News*

Mere coincidence? YOU be the judge!



SHOCK JOCK Howard Stern, left, and President Bush are more alike than you'd think.

WASHINGTON — For years, researchers have puzzled over the many "coincidences" that link martyred Presidents Abraham Lincoln and John F. Kennedy: Both elected in a year ending 60, both assassinated with a gunshot to the head on a Friday; both succeeded by Southerners named Johnson, etc. And now, experts are beginning to take note of the same sorts of connections between President George W. Bush and radio shock jock Howard Stern!

"It's known as 'synchronicity' and it's one of the most confounding areas of paranormal research — we don't even have a theory to explain it," said one researcher. "Yet the facts are indisputable."

HOWARD'S SIDEKICK: Robin Quivers

Below are some of the odd links between Bush and Stern:

FACT: The names George W. Bush and Howard Stern both have exactly 11 letters.

FACT: The word "bush" is slang for female private parts. Stern's autobiography was titled *Private Parts*.

FACT: Both men have daughters, but no sons.

FACT: Howard's sidekick is Robin Quivers. Robin is the name of Batman's sidekick. And the Boy Wonder's real name is Dick — just like Bush's sidekick, Vice President Dick Cheney!

FACT: Major turning points in their lives came at the same time. During the campaign last year, Bush told reporters he hadn't used illegal drugs "in the past 25 years." That makes his first drug-free year 1976 . . . the same year Stern graduated from college!

FACT: Bush is the leader equivalent of a king. Howard Stern's nickname is "The King of All Media."

FACT: Stern created an alter ego named Fartman, whose superpowers come from passing gas. A chief cause of breaking wind is baked beans — and one of the most popular brands of beans now on the market is, you guessed it, called Bush's.

FACT: Bush generated considerable controversy when he said his favorite political philosopher was Jesus. Stern generated considerable controversy when he had the Jesus Twins on the air.

FACT: Both have top aides named John. Bush has Attorney General John Ashcroft. Stern has stammering celebrity interviewer "Stuttering John" Melendez.

GOOD NEWS!

Your nose hair ISN'T growing!

If you've been wondering why your nose hair gets longer the older you get, relax — quoted a Mayo Clinic expert who explained that nasal secretions slough most of the hair away in the

My America

BY ED ANGER

YOU'VE GOTTA BE AN IDIOT TO DO YOGA

says Ed

I'm madder than a swami with a knot in his turban over all the yapping everybody's doing about yoga these days.

Time magazine even put skinny-minnie model Christy Turlington doing yoga on its cover and wrote a big story about people twisting themselves up like a pretzel.

Some snooty fitness experts have the big idea that if you can't tangle your body to look like a Slinky and stick your foot in your ear, you're not in shape. I say that's a bunch of hogwash.

Take a look at all the pencil-necks who are so excited about yoga. Not one of them weighs more than 90 pounds sopping wet or has the muscles God gave a 12-year-old.

And if these people are in such great shape, what good is it doing them?

Put any one of these yoga freaks in the ring with the fattest, most out-of-shape wrestler in the World Wrestling Federation and what do you think would happen? Even Bubba Ray Dudley would have no problem squashing one of these twisted-up string beans — and he's fat as a pig.

And bending yourself up like a rag doll won't do you any good if you're trying to gain three yards up the middle in an NFL game. In fact, a couple of 280-lb. linebackers would be more than happy to twist your body in a few new ways that you never thought of.

I say we don't need stupid, new-fangled stuff like yoga when we have good old-fashioned sit-ups and push-ups that we all did back when I was in the Marines.

Yoga is just another way to rip people off. Instead of having old-fashioned exercise classes and calisthenics, now they charge people hundreds of dollars and have fancy-schmancy yoga classes with stinky candles burning and weirdo music playing.

It's just like a few years ago when the so-called experts decided that ice cream was bad for everybody — and started pushing some expensive, gross-out stuff they call yogurt.

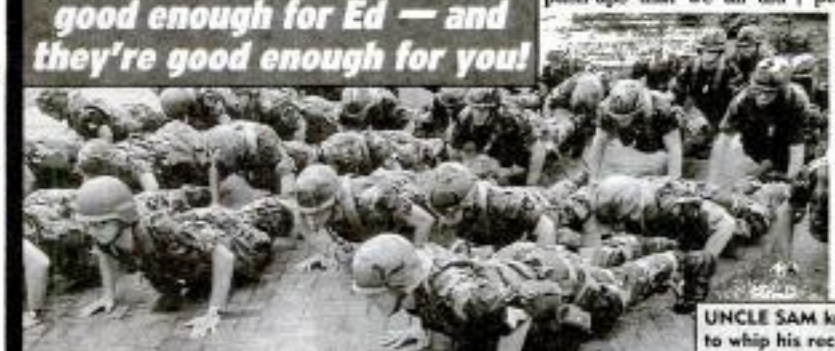
Yogurt and yo-

coincidence? I don't think so.

Ed Anger

ED SAYS: "Sure, this young model is gorgeous and looks to be in great shape like that stick-thin supermodel Christy Turlington on the cover of *Time* (inset). But I'll bet neither one of 'em could last two minutes in the ring with a WWF heavyweight like Bubba Ray Dudley."

Old-fashioned push-ups were good enough for Ed — and they're good enough for you!



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By CLIFF LINEDECKER/*Weekly World News*

WASHINGTON — Caches of poison gas, biological weapons and conventional munitions are rusting and deteriorating in wildlife preserves, industrial parks — and in and around schools all over America.

And the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and state and private environmental agencies are in a desperate race against time to pinpoint and clean up the leftover weapons before someone is maimed or killed, *Weekly World News* has learned.

"There are hundreds — thousands — of former defense sites like these and we have an ongoing cleanup on a worst-first basis," according to David Hewitt, a spokesman for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

The dangerous leftovers, some dating to the U.S. Civil War, can be found in almost every state as well as in Puerto Rico and Pacific island territories.

They're even in our nation's capital city!

Three American University buildings and five nearby homes in Washington were evacuated while the Army Corps of Engineers searched for a toxic witches brew of deadly chemical agents manufactured during World War I.

Munitions and toxins were removed during the early 1990s, but a more recent investigation disclosed suspected burial pits for mustard gas — which blisters skin and the lungs — manufactured by a university laboratory under contract to the U.S. War Department.

And only a few miles from the contaminated campus, the Corps of Engineers cleaned up arsenic-tainted soil along a busy street and two chemical burial pits at the South Korean ambassador's residence.

But the dangers in Washington are just the tip of the iceberg.

Halfway across the country, grapefruit-sized bombs with sarin gas, the same colorless, odorless, vaporous killer chemical used by crazed Japanese cultists in a 1995 terrorist attack on Tokyo subway riders, were discovered in a pile of dirt at a wildlife refuge in suburban Denver.

The deadly nerve gas was found in three of six undetonated bombs uncovered at the former Rocky Mountain Arsenal while it was being converted to a wildlife refuge, Colorado State Health Department spokesman Laura Bishard told *Weekly World News*.

Authorities ordered the bombs placed under 24-hour guard until disposal.

Bishard added that their detonation would be followed up by a careful search for more deadly leftovers on the former 27 square mile tract of land where chemical weapons including sarin, mustard gas, white phosphorous and napalm were manufactured during World War II and the

INVESTIGATORS haven't found nerve gas in New York's Central Park — yet. Workers, left, remove deadly dioxin from what used to be pristine countryside.

HIGH-POWERED smoke bombs like this one litter America's countryside.

BILL GOFF JR. with killer chemicals reclaimed from a site that threatened

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Korean War.

In Ohio, a study disclosed school or school-related activities at several "Formerly Used Defense Sites," including the previous location of the Lordstown Ordnance Plant.

In Virginia, a huge number of artillery shells, mortar rounds and other ordnance were sifted from dirt excavated during construction at the Tidewater Community College-Frederick Campus. The school is on the site of the former Nansemond Ordnance Depot.

At the former Sioux Army Depot near the town of Sidney, Neb., cleanup crews removed a number of unexploded shells.

Unexploded mortar shells are reportedly still occasionally discovered at the Atwood Park and Nature Center in New Milford, Ill.

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BOY BLOWS OUT HIS EYES — WITH A SNEEZE

BEFORE THE ACCIDENT. Trevor Beale was a happy, healthy 11-year-old.

LEARNING TO ADJUST. Trevor faces a life without sight.

By VICKIE YORK/*Weekly World News*

CHRISTCHURCH, New Zealand — Like so many other little boys, Trevor Beale was warned by his mother never to hold his nostrils shut while sneezing. But he did it anyway — and both his eyes popped out!

Now, as a result of the tragic freak mishap, the 11-year-old is totally blind and bravely trying to adjust to a life without sight.

"Unfortunately, we were unable to reattach the eyes," ophthalmologist Dr. Edwin Harlton told reporters.

Medical experts say that the increased intracranial pressure caused by blocked sneezing has been known to lead to detached retinas in other young patients. But this is the first case they know of where the entire eyes were ejected from their sockets.

"We suspect that Trevor had a significant congenital deformity that weakened the muscles attaching the eyes to the orbital cavity," said Dr. Harlton. "Such a condition would make what happened almost inevitable.

"Another type of trauma, such as getting hit in the head by a baseball, might eventually have led to the sudden loss of his eyes."

Trevor's mom Delia Beale says she had often warned both Trevor and his sister Gabby, 5, not to try to hold

SHE TRIED TO TELL HIM. Mother Delia Beale.

His mother warned him not to hold his nose — but he did it anyway!

accident.

"He had a stuffy nose that day," recalls 34-year-old Mrs. Beale, whose husband was at work at the time. "I told him to use a tissue and just let everything come out."

Later that day, while Trevor and his sister were playing in his bedroom, she heard her son scream in pain — followed by Gabby's cry of alarm. Mrs. Beale ran into the room.

"When I saw Trevor standing there with the eyeballs dangling from the sockets and blood all over his face, I nearly passed out," she said. "But he was very calm. He kept saying, 'Mum, I can't see.'"

Trevor is now getting special training from a service that helps blind children adjust.

"He's handling it well," his mother said. "He's learning to walk with a cane and we're planning to get him a guide dog."

Experts say that while Trevor's congenital condition increased the risk of damage to his eyes, no one should ever try to block a sneeze by pinching their nose and closing their mouth.

"Your body is expelling unwanted material at high | harm to your eyes as well

CAT KILLS ABUSIVE OWNER!

TAJO, SPAIN — More than 5,000 animal lovers are clamoring to adopt a cat that killed its abusive owner.

Renaldo Pena, 49, was found dead at home, his throat slashed and his arms covered with cuts and scratches. Police initially believed Pena had been the victim of a home invasion — until they found caked blood on the paws of his Himalayan cat.

"Neighbors told us Pena was extremely cruel and abusive to his pet," said Police Detective Raoul Ortega. "Our conclusion is the cat killed Pena in self-defense."

After news of Pena's death was reported, animal control officials received more than 5,000 letters and phone calls from cat fanciers eager to

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MONTANA CANNIBAL

FED 'BBQ KID' & 'LITTLE BOY STEW' TO HIS NEIGHBORS, SAY COPS!

By CLIFF LINEDECKER
Weekly World News

GREAT FALLS, Mont. — The revolting notations and menus for "barbecued kid," "sex a la carte," "my little kid dessert," "little boy stew" and "little boy potpies" looked like they were taken straight from a scary children's fairy tale.

But the macabre writings had nothing to do with an old witch who lived in a gingerbread house or a fierce giant who lurked at the top of a huge beanstalk and ate light-fingered little boys.

The grotesque notes were the work of Nathaniel Bar-Jonah, 44, a depraved sexual predator whom alarmed authorities believe kidnapped, raped and butchered a little boy — then fed the flesh to neighbors and friends.

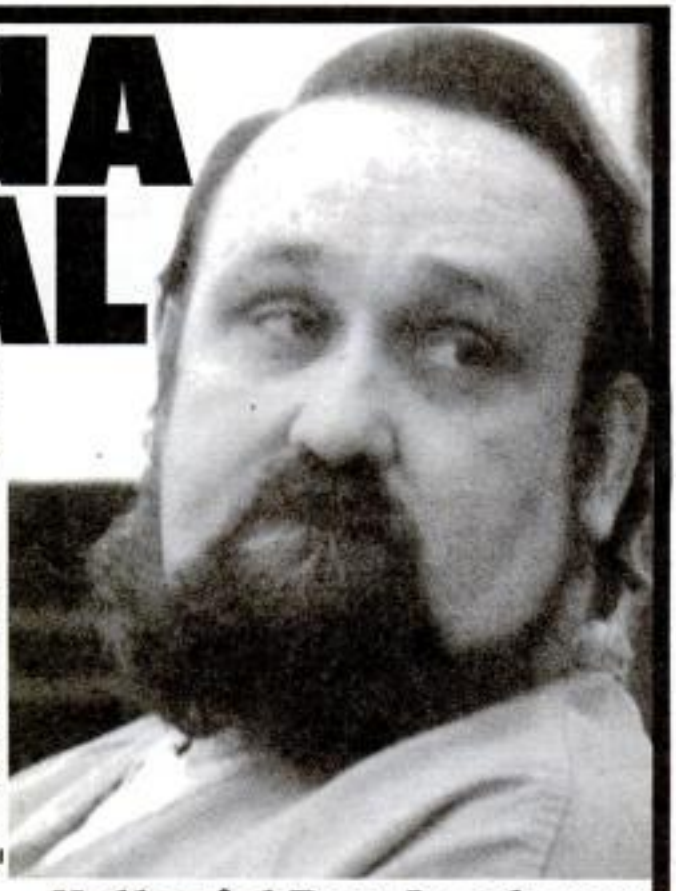
Bar-Jonah told the unsuspecting diners that the strange tasting meat in the pies, stews and spaghetti was from deer he stalked, killed and butchered himself, according to investigators.

Police were investigating the sexual torture of a teenage boy and the earlier disappearance of Zachary Ramsay, 8, who vanished while walking to school on Feb. 6, 1996, when they unearthed the bones of an older child from beneath the dirt floor of Bar-Jonah's garage.

"We believe he's dead," Cascade County prosecutor Brant Light told a reporter about the Ramsay boy. "We'd like to find a body . . ."

Suspicions of cannibalism

PREDATOR. Convicted child molester Nathaniel Bar-Jonah, right, has been accused in the murder and cannibalizing of Zachary Ramsay, 8, left.



Nathaniel Bar-Jonah may have eaten as many as 20 children himself!

bothered to notify Montana authorities that a twisted pedophile with fantasies of cannibalism had been sent there to live.

Bar-Jonah was locked up in the Cascade County regional jail on $100,000 bail on charges of impersonating an officer and carrying a stun gun near an elementary school, while authorities continue the investigation.

code used in notes composed by Bar-Jonah that referred to the menus and other papers that described lurid sex acts.

Incredibly, Nathaniel Bar-Jonah, 44, had an appalling record of arrests in Massachusetts for kidnapping and sexually abusing young boys, and a caseworker and a psychiatrist reported he admitted to fantasies of cannibalism.

Bar-Jonah, whose former name was David Brown, was released in 1991 from the Massachusetts Treatment Center for the Sexually Dangerous.

After he got into trouble a month later for assaulting another boy, he was released on probation with orders to move to his mother's home in

Pray your way to a long life!

DURHAM, N.C. — Pray you'll live longer — and you will!

A university study shows people who pray add years to their lives.

"This is one of the first studies showing that people who pray live longer," says Duke University Medical Center researcher Harold Koenig.

He and colleagues studied nearly 4,000 mostly Christian men and women 65 and older for six years and found that those who rarely or never once a month.

"This is a well-designed study," said David Larson of the National Institute for Healthcare Research in Rockville, Md., a group studying spirituality and health.

THE power of prayer can add years to your life.

Prison is full of angry cows!

PENDLETON, Ind. — A [illegible] stuffing it inside the rec-

Dear Dotti

AMERICA'S MOST OUTSPOKEN ADVICE COLUMNIST

I'd love my babies if they acted like adults!

JIM in Minnesota.

Dear Dotti: My three children, ages 7, 5 and 3, are driving me crazy! All they do is run around yelling and screaming — and then whine, pout and cry when things don't go their way.

They're always touching things they're not supposed to touch, leaving toys lying around instead of in their boxes and saying embarrassing things in front of company.

I can't tell you how many times, I've tried to sit them down and talk to them about this behavior, very patiently — but it's no good. Every word I tell them about responsibility and maturity just goes in one ear and out the other. The 3-year-old is the worst. If she wants something and you don't give it to her, she'll just throw herself down on her belly and start wailing like a banshee.

Dotti, I'm at my wit's end — sometimes I just can't stand the sight of the little ankle-biters. Perhaps I would feel differently about my children if they showed the same kind of respect and fairness toward my wife and myself as we show to them, but they don't. Why are they behaving this way? — Jim in Minnesota

Dear Jim: They behave like chil-

I see nothing wrong with wearing diapers to work!

Dear Dotti: I'm 27 years old, but I enjoy wearing diapers. There's just something about it that makes me feel very relaxed and at ease. I've been wearing them at home for years and my husband Neil doesn't mind a bit — in fact, he says I look really "cute" in diapers. I use the adult ones made for old folks who really need them. Recently, I decided to let my hair down and I've started wearing them to the office where I work. I always wear long, conservative skirts, so no one is the wiser. But Neil's really afraid that someone's going to find out and think I'm some kind of weirdo. But I don't plan to hoist my skirt anytime soon. So, can you tell me one good reason why I shouldn't wear my diapers to work? — Pampered in New York

Dear Pampered: I see nothing wrong with you wearing a diaper to work — as long as you accessorize with a straitjacket!

We need a kids' bill of rights!

Dear Dotti: I'm 11 years old and I think it's time this country had a Children's Bill of Rights. Like No. 1: Why do you have to be 35 years old to run for president? Old people don't necessarily know everything and kids like me have a lot of good ideas. At least lower the age to 15. Also, parents shouldn't be allowed to spank their kids. And if you have parents who are mean to you, you should be able to divorce them, just like husbands and wives can divorce each other. A lot of kids at school agree with me and we all read your column every week. We want to know what you think. Don't you agree with me? — Noah in Iowa

Dear Noah: I agree that kids should have their own Bill of Rights, beginning with: Children have the right to remain silent until a grown-up gives them permission to open their yaps!

Rude clerk made me wait while she did her nails!

Dear Dotti: I'm so mad, I could just spit! I was in a department store looking for lipstick and I needed some help finding the shade I wanted. When I went up to the counter, the salesgirl was chewing bubble gum and didn't seem to be helping anyone, but she didn't even look up when I walked up. When I asked her to help me, she said, "Wait a second." I thought she had some paperwork from a sale to finish up — but no, she was painting her nails! Dotti, I had to stand at that counter for more than 20 minutes while that rude little tart finished her nails. And then I had to wait another 10 minutes for them to dry, because she didn't want to mess up her precious nails by touching anything. I finally got the lipstick I wanted, but I left feeling very angry. I really wish I'd given that girl a piece of my mind. How would you have handled the situation? — Hedda in Pennsylvania

Dear Hedda: The last clerk who made me wait at the cosmetics counter is STILL trying to get that tube of cobalt-blue lipstick out of her nose. Get the picture?

Cuddle-crazy hubby's a complete dud in bed!

Dear Dotti: My husband Ryan and I have been married for three months and we still haven't made love! During the two years we dated, Ryan told me he didn't believe in premarital sex and I respected his beliefs. But I thought that as soon as we tied the knot, we'd start going at each other like rabbits. Instead, Ryan hasn't laid a single finger on me — even though I've tried everything from skimpy lingerie to bubble baths. When I try to initiate romance in the bedroom, he'll say that he's not in the mood and he wants to cuddle instead. I'm literally climbing the walls with frustration and I've recently caught myself snapping at Ryan. Worse still, the whole thing is affecting my self-esteem. Is there something wrong with me? — Jennifer in

JENNIFER in Florida.

CONFIDENTIALS

Dear Curious in Alabama: I forget Serena Sabak's birthday — but mine is June 15!

Dear Arrested in Michigan: You should have thought about that before you spray-painted the neighbor's cat!

Dear Furious in Nebraska: When I want a stupid opinion I'll ask you for it!

Dear Suspicious in Colorado: Your husband might be working late every night — but I doubt it!

Dear Optimist in New Jersey: If everything really "happens for the best," why are you broke?

Dear Shy Bride in Kansas: I don't care what your mom told you. If you want to have babies, you just about HAVE to take off your clothes!

Dear Hog-tied in Louisiana: Low self-esteem has nothing to do with it. You're sick!

Dear Puzzled in Texas: If I wanted you to sit on a broomstick, I'd tell you to sit on a broomstick. Get lost!

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GHOST OF DAVID KORESH SPOTTED AT McVEIGH EXECUTION!

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By CLIFF LINEDECKER

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SELF-PROCLAIMED MESSIAH. David Koresh's ghost reportedly cried like a baby in days leading up to Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh's execution.

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Marianne Arbogast

, Ind. — The ghostly Davidian cult leader ppeared over the per at the federal on May 8, just days klahoma City bomber McVeigh was scheduled t to death.

undreds of awestruck witnesses viewed the chilling apparition, and watched the figure form, then hover over the grim, two-story brick death house just west of the main prison building.

EYEWITNESS: Marianne Arbogast

"As soon as the image appeared I recognized David Koresh, and big old tears were just rolling down his cheeks," said Marianne Arbogast, a waitress and part-time smoke jumper from Missoula, Mont.

"It was like he was reliving the slaughter of all those women and babies burned alive at the Mount Carmel compound outside Waco — and all those other poor souls blown apart in Oklahoma City."

Incredibly, although the shimmering silvery image was plainly visible to many who jammed into this Indiana river town to hold a death watch for America's most notorious mass murderer, hundreds of others were unable to see it — even though friends or colleagues pointed it out.

HE REMEMBERED WACO. Timothy McVeigh said he bombed the Alfred P. Murrah federal building in Oklahoma City to avenge the deaths of David Koresh and his faithful followers in a skirmish with federal agents in Waco, Tex.

The waitress, who talked with a reporter for the survivalist newsletter *Wrath*, said that while she and others stared in astonishment at the massive specter — the boyfriend she had driven across country with couldn't see a thing.

According to Ms. Arbogast and others, the phantom hovered over the death chamber for several minutes — just days before McVeigh was scheduled to be injected with sodium pentothal to knock him out, pavulon to relax his muscles and collapse his lungs and potassium chloride to stop his heart.

Appearance of the ghost debate among survivalists on the Internet and in other venues about the meaning of the phenomenon.

Some antigovernment radicals interpreted it as a call to arms, but Ms. Arbogast and several friends she made outside the penitentiary disagreed.

"I think what made David Koresh return from the grave was his love for others — including the tortured soul of Timothy McVeigh," she said.

"The apparition appeared as a message to all Americans to accept that the past is past, and it's time to come together

IN THE NEWS

'Guard Gator' protects drug idiot's stash!

MIAMI — Drug enforcement officers who raided a house here discovered a huge stash of marijuana — and a handsome 5-foot long "guard gator."

"This alligator has excellent body weight, very alert, just a perfect alligator," Todd Hardwick, of Pesky Critters, told reporters after he was called in to carry the animal away.

But the gator wasn't a very good watchdog. He not only lost his job and home, but police carted off 25 marijuana plants and another 10 pounds of harvested weed from the refrigerator.

Space snowballs created Earth's oceans!

IOWA CITY, Iowa — Snowballs from space created Earth's oceans, startling new research at the University of Iowa shows. Scientists have determined that about 20 icy comets weighing 20 to 40 tons each disintegrate above Earth every minute. And over the lifetime of the planet the icy bombardment would account for virtually all our water.

Burned at the stake for wearing makeup!

NEW YORK — The silicone, false eyelashes and hair spray used by modern women to attract husbands would have gotten them burned at the stake in 18th century England. A law against such beauty enhancers reads:

"Any woman who through the use of false hair, Spanish hair pads, makeup, false hips, high-heeled shoes or other devices, leads a subject of Her Majesty into marriage, shall be punished with the penalties of witchcraft."

Farmer offers to pay hit man with cows!

FORT PAYNE, Ala. — Police charged farmer Cecil Benjamin Hicks, 64, with solicitation to commit murder after he offered an undercover cop $300 and four cows to kill a woman.

"Our undercover man wanted $1,000 for the job, and Hicks offered him $300 and four cows," said Sheriff Cecil Reed. "When we dropped the price to $500, he paid our man $300 in

KILLER WHALE SWALLOWS MARINE PARK TOURIST!

TOKYO — In a horrifying spectacle witnessed by her two teenage grandchildren, a 71-year-old German tourist was swallowed whole and killed by Yoshi the trained killer whale, a 36-foot male considered so tame that spectators were encouraged to pet him.

By NICK KEL/*Weekly World News*

"It happened unbelievably fast. Grandma was standing at the pool, leaning over the railing, holding a mackerel in her outstretched arm — and all of a sudden Yoshi rose half out of the water, grabbed her around the head and shoulders — and swallowed her in the blink of an eye," grandson Karl Otto, 19, told local reporters.

Said his sister, Elsa, 18: "My family is sick to death over this. It's so sad. This was grandmother's first trip outside of Germany. Her dream was to see Mt. Fuji. She never got the chance."

Police Capt. Otani Mikawa, who was in charge of the investigation at the marine park where the tragedy occurred, said, "the woman's body was quickly recovered and returned to the family."

He explained that Yoshi "regurgitated" the victim several minutes after swallowing her.

"There were no teeth marks. Incredibly she was still wearing her delicate, gold, wire-frame spectacles. The autopsy showed she died of heart failure caused by shock and suffocation.

"Yoshi is now the center of a controversy over whether he should be killed. He is being kept in quarantine until the courts decide what to do."

KILLER WHALES normally eat fresh and healthful seafoods such as delicious crabs. Occasionally, however, they will lash out at anything — even human prey!

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Who'll win the World Series?

Dear Serena: This is an unusual request but I'm going to ask you anyway. Who's going to play in the World Series this season? And it would help a lot if you could tell me who'll win.

If you can tell me, I can place a bet now and win a lot of money. I promise you I won't use any of the cash for myself. I want to start a shelter for the homeless and build a youth center for underprivileged kids.

Please help me out, Serena. There are a lot of people depending on you — and me. — Neil in Kansas City

NEIL in Kansas City.

Dear Neil: I know who's going to win the World Series but I'm not going to "spill the beans," as my father used to say, because I don't want to ruin the season for baseball fans. I will, however, give you a juicy hint: The first will be last — and the last will be first!

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Dear Serena: It seems like every time my family gets ahead financially we fall right back where we started. My parents provide for my three brothers and me as well as they can and they work very hard. But we have nothing to show for it but a bundle of love and a shabby roof over our heads. I'm trying to get a part-time job while I'm in school to help out. Do you see things getting any better for us? — Dawn in Louisville

Dear Dawn: The love your family shares makes you richer than you could ever imagine — remember that at all times. Your financial situation is looking up. I see you getting that part-time job within the next few weeks. I also see your family winning a six-figure lottery jackpot if they buy just one ticket next week. Your lucky numbers? The ages of each person in your family!

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Dear Serena: My boyfriend says he has a scheme that can make us rich. It sounds kind of crazy but I'm no financial expert, so I don't know what to think. Should I sink all my savings into this? — Lisa in Dallas

AMY in Fort Lauderdale.

Dear Lisa: Your boyfriend's idea will work like a charm — so yes, it's an excellent investment.

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Dear Serena: Where did I get my tapeworm? My doctor has given me medication to get rid of it but I never want to go through this kind of embarrassment again. — Revolted in New Brunswick

Dear Revolted: You picked up the tapeworm from the fruit you smuggled back from Mexico after that trip last month. I hate to say, 'Justice was served,' but I guess in this case I have to!

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Dear Serena: Whenever I go to nightclubs or bars, I always end up dancing on a table, usually with my clothes off. Sometimes, like last weekend, I black out and don't remember what I did. My question to you is this: Just what DID I do last weekend? Anything I need to worry about? — Amy in Fort Lauderdale

Dear Amy: I wish I could say otherwise, child, but you did something with several members of a motorcycle gang — something that you'll regret for the rest of your life. Fortunately, you didn't get pregnant. But you should see a doctor right away — early treatment of the disease you contracted will help you live a longer and more normal life.

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Dear Serena: Why does my brother, Freddy, keep saying "kick me" whenever he sees me? Everytime he does, he laughs and laughs and all his stupid friends laugh, too. He won't tell me what he means, Serena. Can you help? — Confused in Omaha

Dear Confused: Several weeks ago Freddy taped a "Kick Me" note to your back and you walked around in full view of his friends for a whole day before it dropped off. Now that you know why they're laughing at you, feel free to ask Freddy about that note his English teacher wants your parents to read and sign — the one about him disrupting class with a water gun!

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PERSONAL TO . . .

Teacup in Lancaster: **I'm sorry to say your wife is cheating on you.**

THIS WEEK'S SIX LUCKIEST LOTTO NUMBERS

Weekly *World News* has purchased exclusive rights to the world's most powerful computer — and we use it to pick the six luckiest lottery numbers every week!

The Swiss-built computer, called Bright Green, has the ability to calculate which lottery numbers are most likely to come up each week, based on previous performance and established tendencies. The numbers are good for the week *Weekly World News* is on the newsstand.

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By MERLIN LEWIS / Weekly World News

MIAMI — If you think road rage is bad — wait until you get a load of the unfriendly skies that are waiting for you during the peak summer flying season.

Major airlines across the country are gearing up to deal with an explosion of turbulence in the skies and on the ground by fed up passengers who will make the roughnecking in professional wrestling look like a game of schoolyard tag by comparison.

Air-rage epidemic will explode this summer — and you may be the next victim!

The situation has become so critical with travelers attacking employees — even trying to storm the cockpit — that the security advisor for America's largest pilots' union has recommended that airlines begin cataloging passenger job skills so the crew will know who's ready, willing and able to help out during in-flight emergencies.

"If you look at all these situations, I think that in all cases the passengers have been the ones that saved the day," Stephen Luckey was quoted in *USA Today* as saying.

"But it's been a reaction, almost a mob reaction."

Luckey, chairman of the National Security Committee for the Air Line Pilots Association, suggested that doctors, police, bomb experts and others with specialized skills could help in emergencies, especially if the crew knew ahead of time who they were.

Services of a skilled police officer would have come in handy when a drunken passenger became enraged during a London to Florida flight and attacked an attendant, while screaming, "I'm going to kill you."

The drunk, who was angered because his alcohol had been cut off, was subdued and flight attendants pulled a pair of plastic handcuffs over his wrists. But the cuffs were put on improperly and he burned through the plastic with a cigarette lighter, then struggled free.

These are a few other air-rage incidents that have crew members — and passengers — rubbing their worry beads:

- A Missouri construction contractor was accused of storming the cockpit on a flight from Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, to San Francisco, shouting "I'm going to kill you," and lunging for the controls before he was wrestled to the floor by other passengers.
- Terrified passengers on a Southwest Airlines flight ganged up on Jonathan Burton, when he went berserk and kicked a hole in the cockpit door while yelling that he could fly the plane. Burton, 19, was suffocated during the frenzied battle thousands of feet over Utah.
- Investment banker Richard Gerard Finneran, 59, president of TCW Americas Development, Inc., was charged with assaulting a flight attendant — and defecating on a service cart during a fracas on a United Airlines flight from Buenos Aires to New York. The executive was sentenced to two years probation and ordered not to drink on airplanes.
- Congresswoman Sheila Jackson-Lee was banned from flying on Continental Airlines after reportedly lacing into a flight attendant with a torrent of obscenities. The ban on the Texas Democrat was revoked after she wrote a letter of apology.
- John C. Davis, 31, was acquitted on assault charges filed after he reputedly broke the neck of a Continental Airlines agent

Fur flies over tennis cutie Anna's flying dog!

JET-SET Anna

Tennis babe Anna Kournikova, 18, and her mother tangled with the crew of an American Airlines flight from Dallas to Florida, according to employees who told police she had refused to put her miniature Doberman pinscher in it's carrying case — as required by FAA rules.

Police met the plane when it landed at Miami, but the dog was already back in its case and the tennis star and her mother denied they had refused to cooperate with the crew. A police officer said the mother and daughter accused the flight crew of being obnoxious and rude.

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during a confrontation at Newark International Airport over a flight delay. Davis claimed the agent grabbed him first and he was acting in self-defense.

● Identical twin sisters Cynthia and Crystal Mikula, 22, of Buckley, Mich., were on their way to China for a modeling contest, but according to the accounts of outraged members of a flight crew, they behaved more like they were training for a boxing match.

Federal prosecutors charged the Mikula sisters with interfering with the performance of a flight crew after a wild fracas broke out and they allegedly drank too much, began swearing, used the aircraft restroom to smoke — and bloodied the nose of a stewardess.

The twins were charged after United Airlines Flight 857 from San Francisco to Shanghai was diverted to Anchorage.

The Association of Flight Attendants has reacted to the crisis by calling for stiffer prosecution of troublemakers, better employee training, preflight safety briefings and more responsible alcohol service.

EVEN IF YOU SURVIVE THE FLIGHT, YOU'LL PROBABLY GET SICK

ATLANTA — Flying on a commercial airliner puts you at up to 10 times greater risk of coming down with a cold, flu or other "catchy" disease than any other means of travel, studies show.

Here's how to protect yourself:

● Don't use the blankets or pillows. They're not normally replaced between flights and may have been used by someone else. Also, airline laundering practices are questionable.

● Use an over-the-counter nasal spray to keep your nasal passages moist. Aircraft cabin air dries them out and makes it far more likely you'll catch a bug. Moist nasal passages trap germs. "Airplane air is the most unhealthy air we're exposed to," says Rob Ivkar, author of *Sinus Survival*.

● Move. If the person next to you has a cold or is coughing or otherwise appears ill, change seats if you're able.

● Wear a mask. It seems a bit extreme, but many experts say it's the best way to avoid catching a cold or other communicable disease.

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PRINCETON, N.J. — The world's most poisonous critter: The golden poison arrow frog of Colombia has a nerve toxin on its skin so deadly just touching it can make you croak.

By DEAN SAMUEL
Weekly World News

Betcha didn't know that not all camels have humps — not starving camels. Their humps store fat and are absorbed back into their bodies for nourishment.

The smoke cleared long ago from the most famous duel in American history, but you probably carry a picture of one of the participants in your wallet or purse.

On July 11, 1804, Aaron Burr — Vice President of the United States — gunned down revolutionary war hero Alexander Hamilton, who's pictured on that $10 bill in your pocket.

These are just a few of the fun facts *Weekly World News* researchers have dug up for your enjoyment. And for more entertaining trivia, read on.

● Before Gutenberg started his printing press in 1454, there were about 30,000 books in Europe. By 1500, there were nine million!

● Basque is said to be the world's most difficult language to learn because it's not related to any other tongue. It's spoken in northwestern Spain and southwestern France.

Mandarin is the most spoken language, which is another way of saying there are more Chinese than anyone else on the planet, followed by folks who speak English and Spanish.

● American Ezra Warnet invented the first cutting-style can opener in 1858 to replace the hammer and chisel.

The well-known wheel-style opener was invented in 1925.

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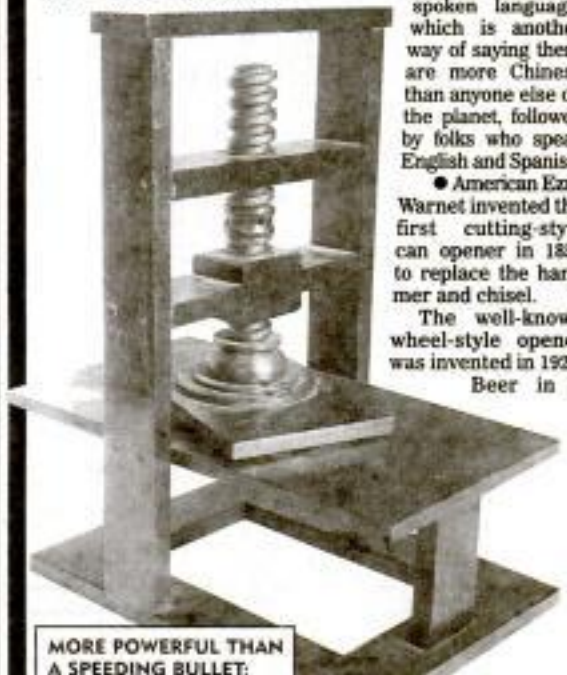

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can was first marketed in 1935. The easy-open can lid was pioneered in 1959. And since 1972, an estimated three trillion cans have found their way into garbage dumps — and forests, rivers, lakes and oceans.

● The tallest mammal is the giraffe, and the tallest giraffe known was a 9-year-old bull named "George" at England's Chester Zoo. He stood 20 feet tall. Giraffes, their incredibly long necks notwithstanding, have no vocal cords.

● The strongest animals for their size are beetles. In one test a rhinoceros beetle supported 850 times its own weight on its back.

That's the same as a 150-pound man carrying 127,500 pounds!

● The average Hollywood movie costs a minimum $35 million to make and about $18 million to market, according to the Motion Picture Association. The costliest movie to date: James Cameron's *Titanic* at $200 million.

● The top five all-time moneymaking films: *Titanic*, *Jurassic Park*, *Independence Day*, *Star Wars*, *The Lion King*. Notice they're all family films.

● Traffic lights were used before cars hit the road. In 1868, a lantern with red and green signals was placed at a London intersection to control the flow of horse buggies and pedestrians.

The first manually-controlled electric traffic lights were installed in 1920 in — you guessed it — Detroit, the Motor City.

● If you've ever wondered how something so heavy as a big jetliner can fly, consider this: A 747 capable of carrying more than 500 people weighs upwards of 870,000 pounds at takeoff and can fly over 7000 miles.

The Wright Brothers would never believe it.

● A quarter of all food produced in Western countries winds up in garbage cans, according to a study by the Economic Research Service. And chew on this: Roughly 1.2 billion people are underfed — while about the same number of folks are overweight!

● Did you know that far more people fish than bowl or play ball? Fishing in fact is the world's biggest participant sport. And that's no whopper.

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CHICAGO — "I like to call my apartment 'Matt's Dark Pit of Filth!'" declares Matt Robinson of Indiana University who won first place and $10,000 in the Apartments.com Messiest College Apartment Contest.

He hasn't cleaned in the eight months he's lived off campus. In his entry essay, Robinson wrote, "I don't think I've done dishes since I moved in and have switched to paper plates and plastic utensils, which never seem to make it to the trash can. I also eat a lot of takeout, the remains of which rot in the collection of paper bags that litter my floor."

Said Karrie Gottschild, director of brand strategy and communications at Apartments.com, "Our goal in the contest was to find the biggest college slob in America and help him bring the condition of his apartment back up to acceptable standards."

Matt says he's going to use part of his

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IN THE NEWS

Dayglow sea monster captured in Spain!

RIBADESELLA, Spain — Fishermen casting their nets off the northern coast of Spain have captured a strange, octopus-like creature that emits an eerie light.

The mysterious beast, believed to come from the deepest part of the ocean, has been dubbed *tanigia danae* and is being displayed at the marine center of Ribadesella.

Experts say the strange, tentacled "sea monster" is the largest cephalopod they have found, nearly twice the weight of the nearest contender.

Be careful what you say to a space alien!

WASHINGTON — Want more proof that political correctness has gone too far? Now we're not even supposed to call the creatures that come out of UFOs "aliens" any more!

In preparation for a possible future encounter with such beings, NASA bureaucrats have cooked up a list of "no-no" terms government officials should avoid using in public if and when we officially make contact with beings from space.

On the list of "unacceptable" terms:

ALIENS — Because of America's bad experiences with illegal aliens, this word now has negative connotations, the experts say.

LITTLE GREEN MEN — Considered demeaning, according to the report.

MARTIANS — Unless they actually come from Mars, this might be considered offensive.

Acceptable terms include:

EXTRATERRESTRIALS
PEOPLE FROM SPACE
VISITORS TO EARTH

Proud prison warden's stupid mistake!

JEQUIE, Brazil — A warden was so proud of his new escape-proof jail that he challenged 12 hardened convicts at a grand opening to break out if they could.

Eight hours later, hundreds of corrections officers and local police fanned out with horses and bloodhounds, scanning fields and rivers for the 12 convicts — and six other volunteers who joined in the mass escape.

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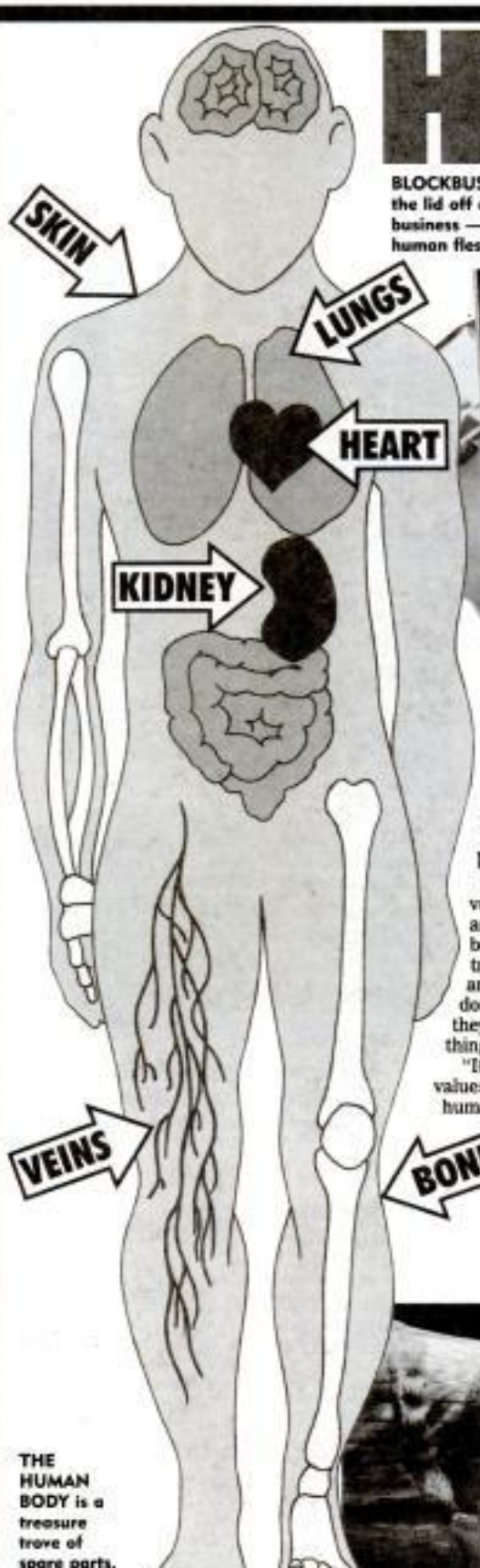
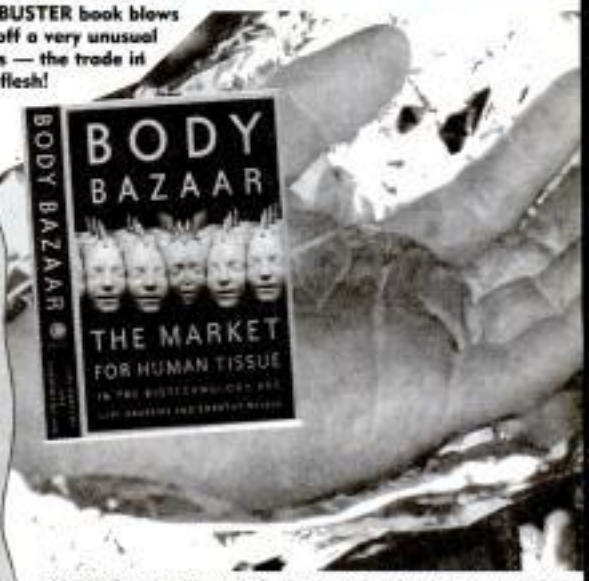


THE HUMAN BODY is a treasure trove of spare parts.

BLOCKBUSTER book blows the lid off a very unusual business — the trade in human flesh!



HANDS are a "must" if you expect to lead a normal life — and they bring top dollar on the body-parts market.

SAN FRANCISCO — Traffic in human flesh is booming — and it's not white slavery — but the big-time 21st century business of selling tissue and body parts.

By GAILANNE GROLO
Weekly World News

Everything from blood, veins, heart valves, kidneys and corneas to skin and bones are being sold and traded like Pokemon cards and much of the time the donors are unaware or they're powerless to do anything about it.

"It is against our system of values to buy and sell parts of human beings," Al Gore once stated while he was a Tennessee congressman.

But that's exactly what's going on today according to authors Lori Andrews and Dorothy Nelkin, in their shocking book, *Body Bazaar: The Market For Human Tissue in the Biotechnology Age*, (Crown Publishers, $24).

It's been a long time since someone estimated the chemicals in a human body were worth 89 cents, and today body tissue, genes and other elements or parts can be worth millions.

Seattle businessman John Moore's blood was worth a mind-boggling $3 to $15 million, according to the authors.

They wrote that after Moore was treated for hairy cell leukemia at the UCLA School of Medicine that

BODY-PARTS BUSINESS IS BOOMING!

You may be a donor and not even know it, warn experts!

EYES are among the most sought-after body parts.

included removal of his spleen, his doctor kept him flying back and forth to Los Angeles for seven years for what the patient believed were tests.

Then he reportedly learned his physician was patenting unique chemicals in his blood and negotiating shares worth an estimated $3 million with a Boston company.

"Sandoz, the Swiss pharmaceutical company, paid a reported $15 million for the right to develop the cell line taken from Moore — which the doctors had named the Mo-cell line," they wrote.

When Moore discovered what was really behind all the sampling of his blood, bone marrow, skin and sperm, he sued for malpractice and property theft.

"I was harvested," the businessman complained.

Incredibly, after the case made its way to the California Supreme Court the justices returned a split decision judgment against Moore — allowing only that the doctor was at fault for failure to obtain informed consent.

"Whole businesses are developing around the body business," the college professor authors write. "Companies have sprung up, for example, to make commercial products out of corpses' bones.

"Some grind up the bones into powder that, when sprinkled on broken live bones, will help them mend."

But utilization of body parts for healing doesn't begin to touch some of the more bizarre uses that buyers have concocted for human remains.

The authors write that a German artist routinely buys the dead, then plasticizes the body parts before reassembling the corpses — leaving a flap of skin open to display the interior anatomy.

And the preferred medium of another self-styled artist whose work was detailed in the book is human blood on canvas.

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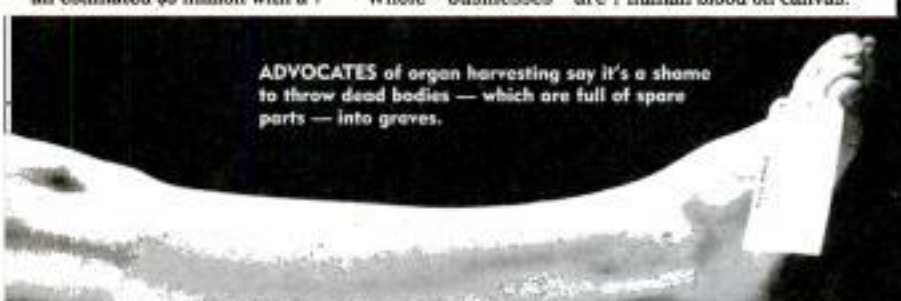

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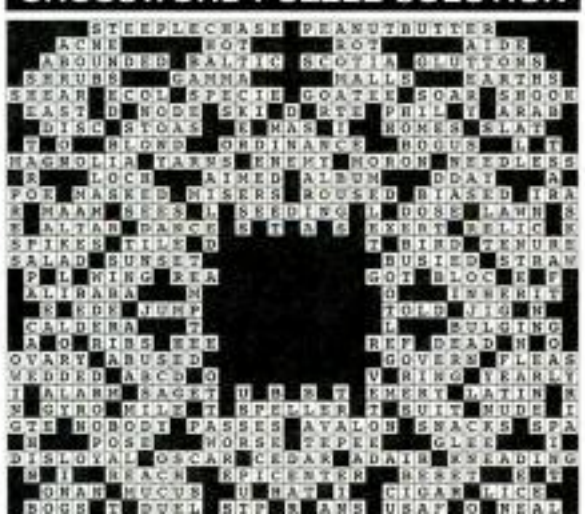

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SWIMSUIT

Summer's coming, gals! So pour yourselves into your swimsuits and don't fret about those few extra pounds you've packed on over the winter.

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It's true!

Beauty's in the eye of the beholder. And for every guy who likes 'em skinny, there are just as many men who adore big, beautiful, jelly-bellied belles with ample thighs and awesome butts. So c'mon out of the closet if that's where you've been hiding and realize it's O.K. to be big and proud.

HEADED TO THE SURF! This bathing beauty isn't afraid to show her skin — and you shouldn't be afraid to show yours, either!

HOME GIRLS don't have to put on airs or starve themselves skinny to turn heads at the pool or beach!

THIS MODEL has some meat on her bones — and everyone agrees,

SPECTACULAR

Bathing suits REAL girls wear!

COOL AS A CUKE! This real-world model is as comfortable as she can be in her black one-piece!

THIS LOVELY LADY is ready to frolic in the sun.

SWIMSUITS with built-in skirts were popular in the 1960s — but they're coming back!

SHE'S READY TO GO — so which way is the beach?

Find your inspiration in *Weekly World News*!

Tireless homing pigeons will fly 3,000 miles to return to their nests

. . . and they have built-in compasses in their brains!

THIS LITTLE guy flies at an average speed of 40 m.p.h.

PIGEONROOST, N.C. — The homing pigeon is a flying miracle — it can find its way home from thousands of miles away thanks to what experts believe is a tiny magnetic "compass" in its brain.

In one astonishing case, a bird taken from Long Island, N.Y., to Caracas, Venezuela, for breeding escaped and arrived back at its New York home — 3,000 miles away — three months later.

The fast-flying homing pigeon probably uses the sun to navigate. But because it finds its way home when the sun is obscured by clouds, researchers believe the bird also relies on the Earth's magnetic field.

Evidence to support this theory has been found in the bird's brain — which contains tiny bits of magnetite, an iron compound that could be part of the bird's magnetic sensing equipment.

Homing pigeons also have other amazing abilities — they can hear low-pitched sounds inaudible to humans and can see ultraviolet light. It isn't known whether these extra senses are involved in the birds' powers of navigation.

During World War I and to a lesser extent in World War II, homing pigeons carried messages for the military. One pigeon, Big Tom, flew 25 miles with a message in just 25 minutes. When the message was taken from him, it was found that one of the bird's legs had been shot to bits and there was a bullet hole in its breast.

Homing pigeons are bred to race over distances of up to 2,000 miles. They average about 40 m.p.h. and can attain bursts of speed up to 70 m.p.h.

— *By DENNIS D'ANTONIO*

SPANKING ROBOT TURNS ON INVENTOR!

HAMBURG, Germany — A new automatic spanking machine that's supposed to make life easier for harried moms still has a few kinks in it — as the inventor learned the hard way when the prototype attacked her in the lab!

Physicist Dr. Frieda Rostock was snared by the machine's robotic arms and subjected to a harrowing six-hour spanking ordeal before being rescued by a building janitor who heard her cries for help.

Miraculously, nothing was injured but her pride — Dr. Rostock was released from the hospital with minor bruises on April 23.

The lady inventor told German TV that the experience was so upsetting, she is reconsidering her views on corporal punishment and may dismantle the machine, known as the SP-462.

— *By BRETT ANNISTON*

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recounting experiences in ancient Egypt. The therapist learned then that she was once a regal and haughty queen who was catered to with instant and total obedience to her every demand."

Initially, the hypnotist — who did not want to be identified because of professional reasons — thought Janet Taripo may have been Nefertiti — the female pharaoh who posed as a man to fool her subjects into believing they were still being ruled by a god king.

Then information uncovered during subsequent hypnotic sessions — and a curiously sensitive birthmark on the woman's breast that looked like the tiny marks of snake fangs convinced the therapist and others that she was the reincarnated Cleopatra.

HEARTBROKEN DAUGHTER
Celia Mishler

Top Egyptologists from Cairo and London flew to Des Moines to interview the woman and confirmed that little-known information she revealed about Cleopatra and her life in the Egyptian court was amazingly accurate.

"Somehow — and we can only assume it's because she was present in that location at that time — she has intimate knowledge of the court's political matters, international affairs and many minor details of everyday domestic matters," the Cairo antiquities expert said.

"These are matters that only Cleopatra or someone else who lived in strikingly similar circumstances could have that kind of familiarity with."

HUSBAND
Oscar Taripo

The Cairo expert and his London colleague said they plan to coauthor a paper on the amazing development — after things settle down at the Taripo household.

"We have hogs to feed, litters to raise and crops to plant," said Oscar Taripo, husband of the amazing woman.

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INSIDE THE GANGS THAT RULE BEHIND PRISON WALLS

THEY'RE RUTHLESS, RACIST AND CAN'T BE STOPPED, SAY WORRIED EXPERTS

By DRAKE ANDERS/*Weekly World News*

WASHINGTON — America's prisons have been taken over by deadly race-based hate gangs that control cell or job assignments, run drugs, turn weaker convicts into helpless prostitutes — and decide who lives or dies.

Shockingly, ruthless gang leaders inside prison walls also continue to direct multimillion-dollar criminal operations on the outside, while using convict enforcers to shake down other inmates or intimidate and corrupt vulnerable guards.

Rape, robbery, drug dealing, intimidation, prostitution, and murder — the same crimes that occur on the outside, rage through penitentiaries.

"Everything is magnified inside prison walls, and gangs are as much a part of prison life as bars, cell blocks and hacks," according to George Taylor a longtime convict and former drug dealer who rode with the Hells Angels.

Coauthor of *Club Fed: A True Story of Life, Lies and Crime in the Federal Witness Protection Program* (Avon, 1998, $6.99) Taylor said prison gangs are at the center of much of the violence.

"Belonging to a prison gang is one of the best ways for a con to protect himself from shakedowns, gang rape, or becoming the reluctant girlfriend of some old pervert," Taylor declared.

"If someone doesn't qualify for membership in a gang, but fits the racial requirement, he can pay rent for protection against rape, beatings, or murder."

A study by the American Correctional Association taken almost a decade ago turned up more than 46,000 gang members in federal prisons and the prisons of 35 states — but experts say there

IT'S A WAR ZONE IN THERE. Convicts find the the best way to protect themselves from shakedowns, beatings and sexual assault is to join a prison gang, say experts.

others with special expertise in the matter, racial lines are critical to membership in prison gangs.

And that makes it almost impossible for corrections authorities to break up the gangs and take back control because of magnified racial sensitivities, prison reformers and a media that's absorbed with political correctness.

Blacks typically join one of the Muslim sects, powerful street gangs like the Crips, Bloods, Jamaican Posse or a gang that's particular to their state like the El Rukns in Illinois, the Memphis Mafia in Tennessee, or the Folk Nation in Florida.

The Aryan Brotherhood, AB, is one of the most influential and feared white

Italian Mafia are still part of the picture although they are beginning to lose their luster.

Mexican Americans generally line up with La Eme — the Mexican Mafia — with the Texas Syndicate or the Nuestra Familia. The Mexican Mafia sometimes allies with the ABs. But Nuestra often lines up with blacks in various prison rackets or during riots, Taylor and other experts say.

The ethnic Puerto Rican Latin Kings, are also a force in some prisons — including women's lockups where their female counterparts, the Latin Queens are a formidable presence.

The Kings and Queens are especially troublesome in Eastern states, but according to author Joseph T. Hallinan in *Going Up The River: Travels in a Prison Nation*, Random

prisons.

"Today, Illinois has the most gang-dominated prison system in the country," he wrote. Hallinan cited a state financed study that showed 54 percent of the state's prison inmates were gang members — and at the four maximum security lockups the number was even higher.

"Most estimates place it at around 90 percent," Hallinan

one of "the Big Four of the state's prison gangs," which also include three black gangs, the El Rukns, Vice Lords and Gangster Disciples.

Gang leaders and other members of their inner circle can live very well in prisons, studies show. Some powerful bosses hold court in cells that are cleaned by subordinates, and filled with luxuries like personal color TVs, cell

IS THE COAST CLEAR? Unidentified prisoner checks for activity outside his cell with a mirror.

Probably the most frightening feature of modern prison life is gangs, and the beatings, rapes and killings they are involved in, Hallinan reports.

"Gangs make it difficult, if not impossible, for wardens to control their prisons, let alone rehabilitate anyone," he wrote.

"They do this, quite simply, by intimidating weaker inmates. New inmates quickly come to understand that the warden cannot protect them, that the guards cannot or will

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FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 21

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ARIES
Mar. 21 – Apr. 19

Your luck will improve significantly this week. Chances for financial success are good so take advantage of them.

Your selfish side might emerge, creating conflicts. Be aware of the potential problem and try to see things from the other guy's point of view.

Now may be the time to tackle an unpleasant domestic chore you've been putting off.

TAURUS
Apr. 20 – May 20

It appears that your efforts at diet and exercise will finally pay off handsomely this week. Forget past failures. The new results will thrill you.

Your strength and stability may be tested when a troubled friend needs comfort and a shoulder to cry on.

Be a good listener, but keep advice to a minimum. Trust your instincts. Unwind with friends at a local hangout.

GEMINI
May 21 – June 20

Success in an undertaking of significant impact will discourage detractors and delight those who may profit from your good judgment and leadership.

Keep an eye on your health in the days ahead. You tend to be a bit irresponsible and negligent when it comes to yourself.

Rest up on the weekend as the week ahead will be hectic and demanding.

CANCER
June 21 – July 22

This week can hold the key to your success if you make up your mind to achieve the goals you once considered beyond reach.

Don't allow others to strong-arm you into being someone you're not. Stick to your guns and shape events the way you want them to be.

Money problems can be avoided if you seek advice from experts.

LEO
July 23 – Aug. 22

Your indecisiveness may cause you to walk away before a project is completed. Use your willpower to keep your nose to the grindstone until it's done. Then give yourself a break and celebrate all that hard work.

You're particularly attractive to the opposite sex this week. If you're single, explore new relationships. Marrieds and steadies should rekindle their romance.

VIRGO
Aug. 23 – Sept. 22

Your ability to wade through the confusion comes in handy when you solve a major problem among friends.

Romance and surprise will be significant this week. Someone you only thought of as a friend will become more important in your life. A phone call from across the miles will thrill you.

A shopping spree could turn into a bonanza. Hit the malls, now!

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LIBRA
Sept. 23 – Oct. 22

Your patience may be tested this week — and if you lose your temper you could pay the price for a long time. Focus on winning battles and not revenge. Be smart, not tough.

It may be best to work from home this week, until things get back on a positive track for you. And they will.

A friend will suggest dinner to try to cheer you up. Go with them.

SCORPIO
Oct. 23 – Nov. 21

This should be a super week. Projects will fall into place with little or no effort, and friends and associates may seem more eager to please.

Chalk it up to your own charm, which is at an all-time high. Use your magic smile and personality to get what you want.

Take a break from your labors and celebrate with loved ones this weekend.

SAGITTARIUS
Nov. 22 – Dec. 21

You're feeling pressured because of the number of projects you've taken on, but don't be too busy to help out a friend in need.

A romantic evening with a special person can bring feelings of security and love.

Don't ignore the invitation of a stranger to join in a project. But invest your time rather than your money.

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AQUARIUS	19, 21, 25, 35, 37, 41
PISCES	2, 6, 16, 20, 32, 43

CAPRICORN
Dec. 22 – Jan. 19

Your fine judgment may be called upon when a family member or close friend comes to you for advice this week. Don't pull any punches and they'll be receptive to your suggestions.

Your hard work pays off in an unforeseen way. You're rewarded with a feeling of accomplishment.

A solitary walk can bring relaxation and peace after a stressful week.

AQUARIUS
Jan. 20 – Feb. 18

Don't be drawn into other people's problems this week. Guard against giving advice that'll backfire.

There's a strong possibility of a change in lifestyle. Keep your options open. Don't ignore a new opportunity.

A close friend may disappoint you by their lack of consideration. Some people are selfish and self-centered and you can't change them.

PISCES
Feb. 19 – Mar. 20

You've been burning the candle at both ends lately and your body is screaming for you to slow down. Ease up a bit or you'll soon regret it.

Pay no attention to the cynics in your life. They have problems you can't solve, no matter how objective you are.

Resist the temptation to do something dishonest this week, or you could end up in big trouble.

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